

Hyde Park City Council Meeting  
113 East Center Street  
Hyde Park, Utah

October 28, 2015

The Hyde Park City Council meeting of October 28, 2015 began at 7:00 p.m. and was conducted by Mayor Bryan Cox.

**City Officials Present:** Mayor: Bryan Cox, Council members: Brent Kelly, Bob Christensen, Bret Randall, Sharidean Flint, and Charles Wheeler, Planning and Zoning member: Mark Lynne, and City Recorder: Donja Wright.

**Others Present:** Valon McDonald, Chase Anderson, Ember Allan, Kade McCulloch, Mason Tye, Janna Findlay, Tom Findlay, Breygan Holbrook, Andrew Westwood, Mekenna Malan, Todd Ercanbrack, Carson Crenchley, David Brenchley, Jaxon Berry, Jace Blotter, Aaron Morales,

**Prayer or Thought:** Council member Randall

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Andrew Westwood

**Adoption of Agenda:** Council member Kelly moved that the Hyde park City Council approve the agenda for the October 28, 2015 Hyde Park City Council meeting as presented. Council member Christensen seconded the motion. Council members Kelly, Christensen, Randall, Flint, and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

**Citizen Input:**

**Marilyn Grunig** approached the Council and thanked them for taking care of the trees that were overgrown and creating a hazard in a few intersections. She presented them with Cinnamon Rolls.

**Jana Findlay** approached the Council and shared some concerns about the way the nominating convention was run, the lack of an election, the alcohol ordinance, and the leadership of the City Council. Council member Kelly asked the Council if they felt the nominating convention was really working and suggested that the Council may want to look into moving towards a regular Primary Election.

**Consider Resolution 2015 – 12: A Resolution Adopting a Personnel Policy for the North Logan Police Agency** – The Mayor informed the Council that there were a few changes in the policy but the one that was sent to them included the changes. Council member Kelly suggested that the North Park Agency Personnel Policy Employee Acknowledgement Form on page 3 does not need to be included in the document. On page 6 section 4 – Probationary Period, Council member Kelly

recommended that the line “As such there is no limited, trial period in which a person’s fitness for employment is tested” be removed so the rest of the paragraph makes more sense. The Mayor informed the Council that he would take these changes to the Police Commission to be considered. Council member Randall made a motion to approve Resolution 2015 – 12 – A Resolution Adopting a Personnel Policy for the North Park Police Agency. Council member Kelly seconded the motion. Council members Kelly, Christensen, Randall, Flint, and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

**Consider Eliminating the word “water” from code 12-30-190 section 3-19-1d as discussed in the October 14, 2015 City Council meeting** – The Council had a discussion about charging a separate water rate for residents in an accessory apartment and determined that the increase in usage, tracked by the meter, would already account for a higher usage and a separate fee would not be necessary. Council member Randall made a motion to eliminate the word “water” from section 3-19-1d line 1 and remove the last sentence in section 3-19-1d “The Accessory Apartment will be charged the low water user rate. Council member Flint seconded the motion. Council member Christensen expressed his concern over not charging a separate rate. Council members Kelly, Randall, Flint, and Wheeler voted in favor. Council member Christensen voted against. The motion carried 4/1.

**Discuss the road by the Winborg property – Continue discussions from prior City Council meetings** – The Mayor informed the Council that this issue has been in front of the Council several times and it would be beneficial to get this resolved. After talking to several members of the Council, he sensed that the sentiment of the Council was that they do not want the road closed. Council member Kelly asked if it were an option to put crushed asphalt on the road in an effort to control the dust and make the road more usable. The City would need to review the agreement and determine how much the City is responsible for and how much would be the Winborg’s responsibility. Council member Flint expressed her concern over the safety of the road. She feels that the road is too narrow and people may slide off during the winter. Council member Christensen said that a berm could be included reducing the risk and that the road on 9<sup>th</sup> East was put in so that citizens could have the option of using a different route if they felt the conditions were unsafe. Council member Wheeler said that one option is to have it a one-way road during the winter. The Council discussed the maintenance of the road and determined that it would be the City’s responsibility to maintain it once the asphalt is in. The Mayor informed the Council that he will meet with the Winborgs and let them know that the City will not abandon the road, and would like them to participate for the portion that they agreed to. The Council determined that it would be wise to have the LUA look at the area, determine if the sidewalk is still needed, and make a new agreement with the Winborgs.

**Discuss a Wild Fire Plan** – Council member Wheeler informed the Council that during League of Cities and Towns, he went to a class focused on educating the Cities on changes in the law and how it affects the Cities. The summary of the program is that the State protects the City from costs that the City would otherwise incur if they were to have a wildfire. The cost of participation is based on risk and risk is based on vegetation. It would cost the City approximately \$3,300 to participate in the program. The City would be required to take some steps to reduce the risk of fire such as education etc. The City would commit a certain amount of money that remains in the City to spend on mitigation of wild fires. The City would develop a plan with the help of the dept. of natural resources. The Dept. of Natural Resources director lives in Hyde Park, and Council member Wheeler could contact him and have him come in and explain this better. Council member Flint informed the Council that this ties in with some meetings that she has been attending about disaster mitigation. The City is required to have a disaster mitigation plan in order to be covered by FEMA. The Mayor informed the Council that this has also been a topic with the League of Cities and they have put together some webinars about dealing with wild fires. The Council was in favor of learning more about the program and asked Charles to invite the director to come and speak to the Council.

**Consider a Replacement Statewide Utility Agreement between UDOT and Hyde Park City (The Dept of Transportation is replacing all agreements more than 5 years old).** Council member Flint made a motion to approve the Statewide Utility License agreement. Council member Randall seconded the motion. Council members Kelly, Christensen, Randall, Flint, and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

**Discuss lessons learned from League of Cities and Towns conference:**

Mayor Cox went to a class about City Sustainable infrastructure. He learned that assets are not actually assets but rather very large liabilities. City Ordinances are not typically set up to cover the costs of repairing infrastructure such as asphalt and other repairs needed over the years. Council member Wheeler said that his take-away from the class is that the City needs to take a close look and what it is doing to mitigate future problems. Some of the solutions to consider are a tax increase, spending money on areas that are decreasing in value and creating fewer infrastructures to take care of.

Council member Randall went to class on water conservation. He felt the class confirmed that the City is on the right track by starting the conversation about conserving water.

Council member Flint attended a police officer meeting and learned about the dire situation for police officers all over the nation. Enrollment is down 50%. It is important that the City takes care of its officers and keep great guys around.

Council member Christensen said that he learned that if you take your clothes in the car to the convention, you should store them in the hotel. He had his suit cases stolen out of his car while in the first day of meetings and had to return home.

Council member Kelly enjoyed the presentation on planning for Millennials. The younger generation does not consider home ownership a priority and does not want to care for a yard. Different ages require different planning and as the City makes decisions about shared family housing, they need to take this in consideration. Council member Wheeler said that an option to avoid large apartment complexes is to require developers to place one small home in their subdivision on a smaller lot so that a family can afford to live in the midst of a control group. He also recommended that if the City ever allows 4-plexes and duplexes, they are integrated in such a way that they look nice and are spread throughout the entire community. Mark Lynne said that the P&Z commission could begin looking at creating an ordinance that requires this as part of the moderate income housing plan.

**Departments:**

**Council member Flint** informed the Council that a new flood plain map will be available in Jan or Feb.

**Council member Christensen** informed the Council that the Center street Bridge will have an additional two sections to the north and one to the south to accommodate a sidewalk. The road on 450 north will begin next week and he and Mike Grunig will be meeting with UDOT to discuss changes on 4200 North.

**Council member Kelly** informed the Council that the Cities, Canal Companies, and JUB will meet to present the result of the storm water study.

**Council member Wheeler** expressed his appreciation for Council member Kelly.

**Administrative** – The Mayor informed the Council that on November 19<sup>th</sup> the City Council and spouses are invited to attend the Lt. Governor's dinner.

**Chief Hawkes** asked the Council what the plans are for a sidewalk on 250 east. The mayor said that we have applied for the Safe Walk to School grant 2 times and were denied. He will get that grant into someone's hands to see if we can get some support.

**The Mayor** informed the Council that he, Brent Kelly, and Susan Balls had a telecom with City attorney, Bruce Jorgensen, concerning the Northern Meadows Subdivision. The trail is on the plat and recorded as an individual parcel. The City has filed a notice with the County that there is a dispute on that parcel so it can not be sold. Bruce Jorgensen is looking into putting a moratorium on all building permits on all 3 phases until this issue has been resolved.

**Adjourn: 8:50**

Council member Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2015 Council meeting. Council member Kelly seconded the motion. Council members Kelly, Christensen, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5-0.